

The Greatest Story Ever Toured – Harrow

A tour of the Bible in one evening, presented by Paul Kerensa, stand-up comedian and script writer (*Miranda and Top Gear*) and Dr Andrew Ollerton, creator of *The Bible Course*.

They will explain how key events, books and characters fit together you'll get to see the big picture while discovering how the Bible applies to your life.

Whether you're a doubting Thomas, with a little Bible knowledge, or a theologian, with the wisdom of Solomon, you'll come away knowing more about the drama of Scripture — the greatest story ever told.

Wednesday 6th March 2019, 7.30-10pm

St Peter's Church, Harrow, HA1 4BX

Tickets are £5 per person. Book online at

www.biblesociety.org.uk/products/ticket-gset-2019-harrow/

or contact our church office for help with booking.

DIARY DATE: CONFIRMATION SERVICE

At St Mary's Church on Sunday 30 June

(afternoon). Alpha is an excellent way to prepare or to work out whether you are ready to make this public commitment to your faith in Jesus.

A DAY TOGETHER

**Sat 30th March, 10am-4.45pm, £40 per couple
St James Gerrards Cross**

A Seminar for couples to invest in their relationship. Session themes include communication, resolving conflict, understanding each other's love languages. For more information pick up a leaflet at the back of church or go to www.adaytogether.org

DID YOU KNOW... ? Internal Mail

Did you know that we have 'pigeon holes' for internal mail at St Mary's? Please take a look at the box behind the block of pews near the font. If you are on the electoral roll, this is where you will find your personal invitation to re-apply. On top of it is a stand with application forms for those who would like to apply for the first time (see note on the right!).

WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 18th February

10.30am Holy Communion.

Denham Garden Village

Thursday 21st February

10.00am Holy Communion. BCP.

St Mary's Vestry

Denham Parish News – from you and for you

The church magazine for Feb-April is now out!

Please take a copy and an extra (free) copy for your neighbour and friend. Are you a regular member of our church and not subscribing?

We are providing labelled envelopes at the back. Simply put in £5 and put it in the offering or return it to the office. No need to provide your contact details – we trust you. **Our**

magazine is for you and we don't want you to miss out, while making sure we cover our costs so we can give extra copies away to those who are not part of our church family.

Contributions from you: In our next issue we will be featuring the **Denham Village Fayre** and would love to include a section on your stories and memories of that special day. Please send to our church office or email magazine@denhamparish.church by March 8th. (Photos in high resolution or original, please!)

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING - (APCM) 7 APRIL 2019, 11.45am (straight after the morning service). ST MARY'S CHURCH DENHAM - ELECTORAL ROLL 2019

Every six years a new Electoral Roll is prepared. Members on the present roll have been invited to re-apply. Enrolment is also open to residents of the parish and to people who live outside the parish who have habitually attended church over the last six months (at least once a month). Application forms are available from our Electoral Roll Officer Maurice Litchmore (printed copies are next to internal mail tray), who must receive all completed applications by **no later than 11 March 2019**.



PAROUSIA

Weekly News Sheet

17th February 2019

4th Sunday before Lent

Welcome to church! If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello to the service leader or a member of the welcome team so we can welcome you personally. During the 10.30 service there is Sunday club for children. If your child is under three or if you would like to help him/her settle, you are welcome to join in.

Christoph Lindner, Rector

(La la la...)

Clap your hands, shout for joy, God is here!

Clap your hands, shout for joy, God is here!

Now is the time to sing with all your heart.

Now is the time to celebrate our God.

Beauty for brokenness

Hope for despair
Lord in Your suffering world
This is our prayer
Bread for the children
Justice joy peace
Sunrise to sunset
Your kingdom increase

(Chorus)

*God of the poor
Friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts
Let tears fall like rain
Come change our love
From a spark to a flame*

Rest for the ravaged earth
Oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned
Our future our dreams
Lord end our madness
Carelessness greed
Make us content with
The things that we need

Shelter for fragile lives
Cures for their ills
Work for the craftsmen
Trade for their skills
Land for the dispossessed
Rights for the weak
Voices to plead the cause
Of those who can't speak

Refuge from cruel wars
Havens from fear
Cities for sanctu'ry
Freedoms to share
Peace to the killing fields
Scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness
His cross for the pain

(Chorus)

Lighten our darkness
Breathe on this flame
Until Your justice
Burns brightly again
Until the nations
Learn of Your ways
Seek Your salvation
And bring You their praise

Worship today



17th February 2019
3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Carlene Litchmore
Reader: Stephen Barrett
Readings: 1 Cor. 9.24-27
Matt 20.1-16

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer
St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Morning Worship *St Mary's:*
Becoming a more Christ-like church

Sidesteam:
Victoria Lucas & Maurice Litchmore
Readings and Readers:
1 Cor. 15.12-20 Carole Wadlow
Luke 6. 17-26 Sam Carter
Prayers: Ann Collins
Sunday Club: Kathy Paine

Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord

1 Cor. 15. 12-20

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Luke 6.17-26

¹⁷ He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. ²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²² 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵ 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶ 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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All: Thanks be to God

If Christ had not been raised from death

Our faith would be in vain
Our preaching but a waste of breath
Our sin and guilt remain
But now the Lord is risen indeed
He rules in earth and heaven
His Gospel meets a world of need
In Christ we are forgiven

If Christ still lay within the tomb
Then death would be the end
And we should face our final doom
With neither guide nor friend
But now the Saviour is raised up
So when a Christian dies
We mourn, yet look to God in hope
In Christ the saints arise

If Christ had not been truly raised
His church would live a lie
His name should never more be praised
His words deserve to die
But now our great Redeemer lives
Through him we are restored
His word endures, his church revives
In Christ, our risen Lord

Worship next week



24th February 2019
2nd Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Philip Constable
Reader: Roger Gage
Readings: 2. Cor. 11. 19-31
Luke 8.4-15

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer
St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Sung Communion *St Mary's:*
Becoming a more Christ-like church

Sidesteam:
Sharon Williams & Pam Montgomery
Readings and Readers:
Psalm 65 Sharon Williams
Luke 8.22-25 Michael Carmody
Prayers: Michael Carmody
Servers: Sam Carter & TBA
Sunday Club: Edda Lindner

4.00pm Messy Church for families.
St Mark's Hall

In your prayers this week, please remember **Vi Slade, Sean Ryde, Edward (Audrey Sells brother) and Christine Willson**. Also anyone known to us who is sick or suffering the pain of bereavement at this time.

